



<b>POLICY TITLE</b>	MINIMUM ACCEPTED LEVEL OF SERVICING FOR MUNICIPALLY AND PRIVATELY OWNED COMMUNAL SYSTEMS	NO. 08-03-01
<p><b><u>Legislative Authority</u></b></p> <p>the Ontario Water Resources Act, Sections 23 and 24, R.S.O. 1980</p>		
<p><b><u>Statement of Principles</u></b></p> <p>This policy describes the minimum recommended level of servicing for municipally and privately owned communal water and sewage systems in the Province of Ontario. The works shall include the provision of:</p>		
<p>(a) an acceptable quality of water; (b) an acceptable quantity of water; (c) an acceptable method of water distribution; (d) an acceptable method of sewage collection; (e) an acceptable method of sewage treatment and disposal;</p> <p>in order to protect human health and maintain the quality of the Environment.</p>		
<b>1. <u>Objective</u></b>	<p>The purpose of this policy is to state existing MOE requirements and to provide guidance to consulting engineers, municipalities, the private sector and Ministry staff with respect to designing and reviewing proposals for communal water and sewage facilities.</p>	
<b><u>Point of Contact</u></b>	<p>Director, Project Engineering Branch</p>	
<b><u>Effective Date</u></b>	<p>July 1, 1986</p>	

## 2. Applicable Guidelines

The proposals for communal servicing are assessed against the following guidelines:

(a) Guidelines for the Design of:

- . Sanitary Sewage Systems (July 1984)
- . Storm Sewer Systems (Interim) (July 1984)
- . Water Distribution Systems (July 1984)
- . Water Storage Facilities (July 1984)
- . Servicing in Areas Subject to Adverse Conditions (January 1985)
- . Small Residential Developments (March 1985)
- . Seasonally Operated Water Supply Systems (February 1985)
- . Appendices "A" through "T".

(b) Guidelines for the Design of:

- . Sewage Treatment Plants (July 1984)
- . Water Treatment Plants (April 1984)

(c) Levels of Treatment for Municipal and Private Sewage Treatment Works Discharging to Surface Waters (MOE Policy No. 08-01).

### 2.1 Guideline Amendments

#### 2.1.1 Guidelines (a) and (b)

The Director, Environmental Approvals and Land Use Planning Branch is the required level of authorization for amendment to above guidelines (a) and (b).

#### 2.1.2 Guideline (c)

The Director, the Water Resources Branch is the required level of authorization for amendment to guideline (c).

2.2 Guidelines Availability

2.2.1  
Guidelines  
(a) and (b)

Guidelines (a) and (b) referenced in this Policy can be reviewed at any office of the Ministry of the Environment or can be purchased from

Ontario Government Bookstore  
880 Bay Street, Toronto

or by Mail Order from

MGS Publications Services Section  
5th Floor  
880 Bay Street  
Toronto, Ontario  
M7A 1N8

(Cheque or Money Order payable to the TREASURER OF ONTARIO must accompany mail orders)

Guideline (a) - \$7.50  
Guideline (b) - \$15.00

2.2.2  
Guideline (c)

Guideline (c) can be obtained from the Water Resources Branch at no cost.

3. Application

It should be noted that design guidelines (a), (b) and (c) are somewhat flexible to reflect geological, climatological and other environmental concerns which are unique to different areas of the province.

4. Exceptions

Provision for servicing of communities which have an identified health hazard or other environmental problem shall be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

5. Deviation From Policy  
and Guidelines

Any deviation or relaxation from the requirements of this Policy and related guidelines must receive the concurrence of the Director, Environmental Approvals and Land Use Planning Branch and the appropriate Regional Director.